

Making the Great Outdoors More Affordable

We rolled back outdoor recreation fees to help families save this summer. The legislature's bipartisan budget mitigation plan reduces:

- Resident fishing license from \$40 to \$28
- Resident firearms hunting license from \$28 to \$19
- Camping and park entrance fees by more than 32 percent for places in Fairfield County like:
 Centennial Watershed State Forest, Collis P.
 Huntington State Park, Indian Well State Park,
 Putnam Memorial State Park, Seth Low Perrepont
 State Park Reserve, Sherwood Island State Park
 and Squantz Pond State Park.

Visit senatedems.ct.gov/Parks.

FIND AFFORDABLE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUR FAMILY

Summer vacations, camps and activities can get expensive. Here are some places to find affordable alternatives:

- * Call 2-1-1 United Way for details on summer camps, childcare, and youth programs
- Contact the Bridgeport Parks Office at 203-576-7233 or the Recreation Office at 203-576-8080.
- * Check out **ctvisit.com** or call **1-888-CTvisit** to get ideas for family activities that are close to home.
- Get in touch with Jerome Orcutt Boys & Girls Club of Bridgeport by calling 203-384-1251.

STAY COOL WITHOUT BREAKING THE BANK

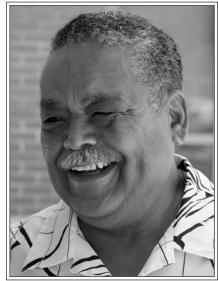
Three ways to lower your electric bill this summer:

- *As a result of recent legislation, you can switch electric suppliers and save as much as 10 percent. Visit www.ctenergyinfo.com or call 1-888-922-3782 for more information.
- Replace an old air conditioner with a new energy-efficient model and get a \$50 rebate. Call 1-877-WISE-USE to have a form mailed to you.
- Signup for an energy audit and learn the secrets to creating an energy-efficient home. For more information, call the state's Energy Services Hotline at 1-800-842-1132.



I'm pleased that the General Assembly has taken action that may help your family enjoy some summer savings:

- * Rollback of outdoor recreation fees
- * Rebates on new air conditioners
- Lower your monthly electric bill



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